

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An apparatus for installing building materials comprising at least one resting surface spaced apart from a fastener.
- 5 2. The apparatus of claim 1 further comprising at least one guide surface.
3. The apparatus of claim 2 wherein the guide surface is continuous with the resting surface.
- 10 4. The apparatus of claim 2 wherein the apparatus comprises a resting surface opposite a guide surface.
5. The apparatus of claim 2 wherein the apparatus comprises a resting surface opposite a second resting surface. *Are these second surfaces or the same surfaces?*
- 15 6. The apparatus of claim 2 wherein the guide surface is continuous with an elongated guide surface. *how many resting surfaces are there*
7. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the fastener is a fastener opening in combination with a fastening component. *isn't*
- 20 8. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the fastener is a clamp adaptor. *isn't*
9. A method for installing building material comprising:
- positioning at least one apparatus for installing building materials;
- 25 attaching the apparatus to an existing structure;
- positioning the building material on a resting surface;

positioning the building material to a desired location and temporarily securing the building material; and

5 permanently securing the building material to the existing structure.

10. The method of claim 9 wherein the apparatus for installing building materials comprising at one resting surface spaced apart from a fastener. 1248

11. The method of claim 10 wherein the apparatus 10 for installing building material further comprising at least one guide surface.

12. The method of claim 11 wherein the guide surface is continuous with the resting surface. 2. The surface of cl. 9

13. The method of claim 10 wherein the apparatus 15 comprises a resting surface opposite a guide surface.

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14. The method of claim 10 wherein the apparatus comprises a resting surface opposite a second resting surface.

15. The method of claim 10 wherein the guide 20 surface is continuous with an elongated guide surface. Are there 9. Resting surfaces or guide surfaces one of both of these be the at least one of cl. 10

16. The method of claim 10 wherein the fastener is a fastener opening in combination with a fastening component.

17. The method of claim 10 wherein the fastener is 25 a clamp adaptor.

18. A system for installing building materials comprising at least one apparatus for installing building

materials; the apparatus for installing building material comprising <sup>at</sup> least one resting surface spaced apart from a fastener. <sup>h</sup>

19. The system of claim 18 wherein the apparatus  
5 for installing building materials further comprising at least one guide surface.

20. The system of claim 19 wherein the guide surface is continuous with the resting surface.

<sup>same as 4</sup> 21. The system of claim 19 wherein the apparatus  
10 comprises a resting surface opposite a guide surface.

<sup>same as 5</sup> 22. The system of claim 19 wherein the apparatus comprises a resting surface opposite a second resting surface.

23. The system of claim 19 wherein the guide  
15 surface is continuous with an elongated guide surface.

24. The system of claim 18 wherein the fastener is a fastener opening in combination with a fastening component.

<sup>N</sup> 25. The system of claim 18 wherein the fastener is  
20 a clamp and the clamp is an integral part of the apparatus.

<sup>N</sup> 26. The system of claim 18 wherein the fastener is a clamp adaptor.

<sup>N</sup> 27. The system of claim 26 wherein apparatus for  
25 installing building material is used in combination with a clamp.

N 28. The system of claim 27 wherein the clamp is selected from the group consisting of c-clamps, pony clamps, Jorgensen clamps, EZ hold clamps, bar clamps, power press clamps, cabinet clamps, euro claw clamps, 5 deep reach bar clamps, k-body clamps, hand clamps, ratchet clamps, quick grip bar clamps, vice grip clamps, and combinations thereof.

N 29. The system of claim 28 wherein the clamp is effective for penetrating into a support structure and 10 securing the apparatus in place.

N 30. The system of claim 18 wherein the apparatus for installing building material further comprises an anti-rotational feature.

31. The system of claim 18 wherein the apparatus 15 for installing building material is made from a material selected from the group consisting of wood, metal, plastic, and combinations thereof.

32. The system of claim 18 further comprising a positioning device.

20 33. The system of claim 18 further comprising an adjustable tee support.

34. The system of claim 18 further comprising a height block.

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